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RESTIGOUCHE'S NEW HONOR.

LEADS JACK NUNNALLY HOME IN THE FAST.
EST SEVEN FURLONGS RUN AT OAKLAND.

Sainvoke Wins a Race for Schreiber—Jockey Powers
Guides Three Winners—Many Going
to Santa Anita.

San Francisco, Cal., November 19.—Hildreth pulled out another record-breaking race horse from his great string for today's feature at Oakland. This time it was Restigouche which was selected to represent him. With half a dozen of the flower of the sprinting division on the coast to oppose him at seven furlongs Restigouche found his work cut out with a vengeance and only succeeded in landing the coveted prize in a hard drive from Jack Nunnally after smashing the California record for the distance and having all the good luck possible in the race. Taking a line from the betting, the winner's most formidable adversary was Sewell, and he was left at the post. The ring harked back to the Hildreth gelding's inglorious debut on Tuesday and took liberties with him, notwithstanding his recent phenomenally fast private trials, and lost heavily by its temerity, as the big contingent of eastern operators here accepted all the evens on offer with avidity.

Tony Faust, another Hildreth entry at odds-on, met defeat in the mile and an eighth selling race which preceded the running of the Seagran Handicap, the owner losing a small fortune over the result. Don Enrique, the second choice, proved an unexpectedly easy winner, mainly because of experimental waiting tactics. And, even though his horse won, owner Ellison was of the opinion that jockey Kirschbaum had moved up prematurely in the race.

Following so closely on Madman's improvement yesterday the stewards watched Figent, from the same stable, closely during the first race and the failure of the Belmont cast-off to make a respectable showing when a 1 to 2 choice made a disgraceful impression on the officials.

The decision of the fifth race was marked by an enlightening incident. Walter Miller scored his first saddle success of the local season on Kelowna, backed from 10 to 5 to 1. His was a hard earned and vigorously achieved victory and the 5,000 spectators present were very generous with their applause. During his walk back to the jockeys' quarters, the former champion jockey was compelled to doff his cap repeatedly in acknowledgement of the cheering throng.

Overhanging clouds indicating rain had no deterrent effect on today's attendance, the splendid card serving to attract race-goers to the beautiful race course. There was no interruption in the present successful run of winning favorites, three winning today.

Vincent Powers was the chief feature in a jockey way, with three wins, Sainvoke, Restigouche and Frank Lubbock, to his credit. The first named was the first horse to carry the colors of Barney Schreiber to victory during the present meeting, and did it so impressively as to suggest a promising future career for the shapely brown filly.

Grant Hugh Browne wired Secretary Treat today relinquishing the stable room already engaged, as he had abandoned the idea of coming out here with a stable of horses to race.

Trainer H. E. Rowell will leave for Santa Anita with ten of Thomas H. Williams' horses next Saturday. S. C. Hildreth has made arrangements to ship sixteen of his racers to the same destination next Sunday in charge of trainer Dave Leary. A. F. Dayton will also join the exodus south with his big stable, including Jack Nunnally, Neva Lee and Husky.

T. H. Griffin arrived today. Griffin brought twenty-four coming two-year-olds to the coast. A dozen each are quartered at Oakland and Santa Anita.

Mose Goldblatt's Mortiboy died this morning from a cause described as shipping fever.

GIVES CREDIT TO AMERICANS.

A turf writer in the London Sportsman has a word to say for American breeders, as follows:

"Breeders claim that their annual sales have been considerably disturbed by the sudden hostile action displayed by the New York legislature, aided and abetted by Governor Hughes. Such claims cannot well be refuted, although the part English breeders play in seeking future restrictions may not be altogether magnanimous. It must not be forgotten that so far each importer of American yearlings this season, with possibly one exception, has invested large sums of money in England in purchasing sires and broodmares. If the balances were struck in their stud farm ledgers there can be no doubt that the sums paid for English parent stock would far exceed the amounts received from Messrs. Tattersall for yearling returns. Under these conditions, during periods of legislative interference in America, when yearlings have little or no public sale value in Kentucky or New York, it appears to be unreasonable to attempt to 'close the door' by establishing import barriers."

MANY TURF PILGRIMS RETURN.

New York, November 19.—Eugene Leigh, the American horse trainer, who has been eight years in France in charge of a public stable, returned yesterday by the North German Lloyd steamship Kronprinzessin Cecilie. He said his horses had won 870 races in that period. He regards the French system of breeding as the best in the world. The government encourages the raising of thoroughbreds and all the horses used in the army and by the farmers have a thoroughbred strain. He said he believed that

if the United States would take up the business of breeding horses, the army and the American agriculturists would have the finest animals in the world.

Mr. Leigh said he had no doubt that the so-called anti-racing law of this state eventually would be beneficial. Racing would decline for a while, but would revive later and would be conducted on a more substantial and equitable basis.

Jockeys Fred and Johnny Taral, Fred Spencer and Michael Miles were also passengers on the Kronprinzessin. Fred Taral has been riding for Baron Springer in Austria-Hungary and, although he has won less prizes than in other years, he has captured some big ones, including one worth \$24,000. The racing law here, he said, had made America the laughing stock of the sportsmen of Europe.

Johnny Taral said the report that jockeys were treated like dogs in Europe was not true; they were really treated better there than in America. He predicted that the racing law would drive the whole tribe of good American jockeys to Europe. Spencer, who has been riding in Germany for the last two years for Count Kenken, said he would not visit his home in California, but would spend two months here and then return to Germany. One of the effects of the New York racing law, he said, was to stimulate the sale of American horses in Germany. Miles, who rides for the Edzie brothers in Austria-Hungary, said he had won forty-two races last season.

LAW AND THE RACE TRACKS.

New York, November 19.—The demurrer taken by William Engeman, Christopher Fitzgerald and John G. Cavanagh, officials of the Brighton Beach Racing Association, to the terms of the indictments found against them last summer was argued before the justices of the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court in Brooklyn and decision was reserved. Incidentally Judge Dike of the County Court was criticized by Justices Woodward and Jenks because he had shown a disposition to pass the matter up to the Appellate Division without sifting the right and wrong of it.

Justice Woodward stopped Assistant District Attorney Elder, who argued against the demurrer, having had charge of all matters pertaining to the enforcement in Kings County of the Hart-Agnew law, and asked if the case should be heard in that court. He said the County Court should have treated the matter more thoroughly before allowing such an important case to go up on appeal. Mr. Elder was sure that the matter was very important and needed immediate decision, and was just as sure that Judge Dike had not intended to shirk his duty in passing up the case, and did so only with the intention of expediting matters.

Ex-Corporation Counsel William C. De Witt, appearing with Joseph S. Auerbach for the defendants, concurred with Mr. Elder in so far as he had gone and was just as eager to have the matter decided.

Justice Jenks then said that he had the highest opinion of Judge Dike as a man and as a judge, but that he ought not to have shirked the original opinion. He quoted Judge Dike's brief answer to the demurrer: "I'm not going to decide this matter; I will give no opinion; let the Appellate Division decide."

Mr. De Witt thought that Judge Dike had precedent on his side and that his refusal to pass upon the new points simply indicated modesty.

"Suppose I was modest," said Justice Jenks, "and sent up my cases to the Court of Appeals. We have a right to see the opinion of the judge in this matter."

Finally it was decided to hear argument as to the sense of the terms used in the indictment, which charges the defendants in part with being the owners, agents and superintendents of the device and apparatus commonly called "advance information," and that they owned, procured and permitted that device and apparatus to be used by many persons for and in bookmaking, and for and in the calculating and laying and quoting of odds on horses.

Mr. Elder said that the words "device and apparatus" used in the statutes applies to anything owned and used to advance gambling. Justice Jenks asked if a newspaper was a device and apparatus for gambling and Mr. Elder replied that it was if owned and used to advance it. In answer to a question about the bringing of indictments he said that one could be brought against any one, and if in the proper form would not be demurrable even though the charges contained were false. He said that even a religious paper could be indicted and that the owning or using of advance information or of a poker chip is indictable.

Mr. Auerbach said that the happenings since the passage of the Hart-Agnew bill have been little short of scandalous, that the police have treated the decisions of the courts with flippancy, that men have been arrested for mere betting, that men had been turned from the race tracks because they were known to be gamblers at one time, that the police have established a reign of terror and that men were being indicted on the shallowest pretenses. Betting at common law, he said, is enforceable as a contract, and the Hart-Agnew law does not make advance information a gambling device. He said that the defendants might as well have been indicted for handing out newspapers that publish such information.

HORSES AT MONTGOMERY PARK.

Memphis, Tenn., November 19.—The first of several hundred thoroughbreds, owned by western and eastern owners and booked for winter quarters at Montgomery Park, reached the track today, embracing the racing strings of William Wallace and Albert Simons. Horsemen expect Hot Springs to furnish a meeting before spring time.

MANY ARRIVALS AT SANTA ANITA.

Los Angeles, Cal., November 19.—J. L. Holland, vice-president of Santa Anita Park, arrived here last night direct from New York over the Santa Fe and is staying at the Alexandria. He had a conference with George Rose today, during which all the minor

appointments at the track were ratified. Mr. Holland was delighted with the prospects of racing here next winter and looks for the largest crowd of easterners that have ever visited southern California.

Gene Elrod got in last night from Latonia and will have full charge of the betting ring.

An eastern contingent of four carloads of horses came in this morning. With these horses included there are now 850 stabled inside the grounds and with those added that are stabling outside the number reaches 1,000.

The owners that got in today were the Elkwood Stable, property of Fred and Walter Lewisohn, brothers of Jesse Lewisohn, the copper magnate. In the lot was Ethereal, James Blute arrived with fifteen of William Gerst's; J. J. Hyland with ten; J. Miller with Far West and four others; Tom Mannix with four and James Boden with eight. The contingent shipped in good condition.

T. A. Davies got in at noon today with nine from Salt Lake City.

Secretary E. C. Smith will have the book of conditions for the first nine days out next Monday. Among those that will probably start in the Pomona Handicap Thanksgiving day are Pinkola, Magazine, Vox Populi, Colloquy, Stanley Fay, Lee Rose, Green Seal and Astronomer. The weights will be announced November 23.

GREAT BROODMARES ABROAD.

A wonderful mare is Desmond's sister, Festa, as the produce of this fifteen-year-old daughter of St. Simon, according to that excellent paper the Deutscher Sport, have won \$319,190 in stakes. Festa has secured \$102,085; Festino, \$75,560; Faust, \$59,520; Fabula, \$51,880; Salute, \$16,355; and Fervor, \$13,790. Of course no broodmare's offspring has ever come up to Moverina, with \$415,340 to her credit, the chief winner being that very good horse, Donovon, \$278,770; but Amoena, Elizabeth Hardwick, Raeburn, Semolina and Sir Joshua also won for her. Perdita II, is a good second to her, with Persimmon, \$173,530; Diamond Jubilee, \$145,925; Florizel II, \$39,290; Barracouta, \$5,320, and Derelict, \$500; this showing a total of \$364,565, whilst Dead Lock's children, Gervas, Isinglass and Islington earned \$306,820, but of this \$287,275 was won by Isinglass, which holds the world's record. Paradigm, another wonderful broodmare, secured \$306,820, by the aid of Lord Lyon, \$131,625; Achievement, \$112,210; Gardevisire, \$23,150; Blue Mantle, \$11,690; Man at Arms, \$8,590; King at Arms, \$7,550; Rouge Dragon, \$1,575; Hatchment, \$1,920, and Paraffin, \$1,050.

ON THEIR WAY TO HAVANA.

Three carloads of horses left Latonia by express on Wednesday evening bound for Havana via New Orleans. The shipment included the strings of J. U. Strode, L. Hatchett, H. Shannon, James Robertson, S. E. Parmer, A. Brown & Co., G. E. Dudley, M. Whitney, C. H. Davids, A. Beatty, E. Baxter, J. F. Davis, Ira Cox, I. B. Fitzgerald, G. W. J. Bissell, Scott Williams, W. P. Reed and M. Abadie.

In this shipment were such well-known performers as St. Valentine, George Bailey, Whisk Broom, Oroonoka, Schroeder's Midway, Manheimer, Cloisteress, Sally Preston, Sister Phyllis, Hawksflight, Hawksflight, Rose F., Guarda, Elsa F., Trappe, Bitter Hand, French Nun, Claiborne, Colonel Blue, Rexall, Leonard Joe Hayman, Bonart, Boserian, Granada, Malecon, Lady Ethel, Water Cooler, Washakie, Duomo, Dispute, Maycella and Deuce.

The above consignment will sail from New Orleans on the steamship Excelsior on Thursday, November 26.

RESTORATION OF CAPTAIN RICE POPULAR.

Hot Springs, Ark., November 19.—The restoration of Captain R. R. Rice, of Varner, Ark., to good standing in Western Jockey Club circles was received as important news here today. Captain Rice and Senator Amis, author of the anti-racing bill in the last senate, were close friends and the bill was introduced as a retaliatory measure by the now dead senator, who believed his personal friend was being wronged in being denied the privilege of racing on Western Jockey Club tracks.

Captain Rice was a constituent of Senator Amis and had many friends in the legislature that passed the bill. He is a close friend of United States Senator Jeff Davis and his influence in bringing about a repeal or modification of the anti-pool selling bill in his home state is regarded as a valuable aid in the next legislative fight on the question.

SAM HILDRETH'S BAND OF CRIPPLES.

San Francisco, Cal., November 19.—S. C. Hildreth is a bit disturbed over the condition of his crack three-year-old, King James. The colt has gone sore in his knees and Hildreth may have to let up on him for a time. King James is the horse with which Hildreth has hope of winning the Burns Handicap. Hildreth has little hope of getting a race out of Peter Quince, another of his cracks, for months. One of Peter Quince's tendons is in a very suspicious condition and Hildreth fears that he will break him down if he persists in training him. Nealon is galloping along soundly and the indications are that he will be a useful horse when the mud comes. Meelek's lameness has disappeared, confirming Hildreth's theory that it was a temporary condition due to a stone bruise.

MR. CORRIGAN AT LEXINGTON.

Lexington, Ky., November 19.—Edward Corrigan returned today from Chicago and is busy in preparation for the sale of his horses, which will be held at his farm, about six miles from this city, next Wednesday. Mr. Corrigan has nothing to add to what has already been printed concerning the possibility of racing at New Orleans, but intimated that he might have some positive announcement to make in the coming two or three days.

NEW ORLEANS CONDITIONS.

REFORM ELEMENT STILL BITTERLY OPPOSED
TO RACING WITH BETTING OF ANY KIND.

Pertinent Correspondence and Statements Evoked
by Heaslip's Abortive Registered Betting
Scheme of Last Month.

Many persons still hope on that in some way it will be brought about that racing over the New Orleans tracks will be resumed in the course of the nearby winter. Of the desirability of such an occurrence in the estimation of turfmen there can be no doubt. But the difficulties seem insurmountable. A month or so ago S. F. Heaslip was confident that he could carry on racing at City Park without any serious home opposition. But when the matter was put to the test he found out that he was badly mistaken and that the element that had secured the passage of the Locke law was vigilantly determined to enforce it. Therefore he gave up his plan completely. There has been no change since in any particular worth consideration, and some correspondence that passed after Mr. Heaslip outlined his plan is just as pertinent now as it was then. This correspondence was brought about when Rev. Beverley Warner questioned some of Heaslip's statements and asked attorney Chandler C. Luzenberg for an opinion.

Rev. Warner's statement of the situation was: "Since the passage of the Locke bill the air has been filled with rumors as to the prospect of attempts to evade it, or get around it, by the racing associations."

"Recently an interview has been published by Mr. Heaslip giving the public a frank statement as to just what process he and his silent partners propose to follow in continuing horse racing in this city."

"A number of inquiries have been made as to what will be the position of the originators and supporters of the Locke bill if Mr. Heaslip attempts to put into practice his scheme of registered betting with a 'rake off' of five per cent, for the purpose of protecting the public."

"In Mr. Heaslip's published plan he makes two statements, which, on behalf of the friends of the Locke bill, I beg to question."

"He says he is a supporter of the Locke bill, and that in exercising a censorship of the betting he places the proposition 'upon the lines desired by those who were interested in the passing of the Locke bill.'"

"Mr. Heaslip must have very novel ideas as to the definition of words."

"His plan is a palpable and undisguised evasion of the spirit of the Locke bill, and I believe, although this is a legal point which I am not competent to decide, a violation of the letter of the law also. If inviting wagers at a commission of five per cent. is not a device 'to encourage, promote, aid or assist,' it is hard to imagine what would be considered one."

"I have full confidence that the proper authorities will take every necessary step in due time to guard the provisions of the Locke bill."

Following is the reply forwarded to Dr. Warner, in which attorney Luzenberg expressed his opinion:

New Orleans, La., October 22, 1908.

To Dr. Beverley Warner.

New Orleans, La.

Dear Dr. Warner: In answer to your request that I give you my opinion as to whether the following plan of betting at the race tracks, as published in the press as the plan that would be in operation in this city, would be a violation of Act No. 57 of 1908, known as the Locke bill, I state:

The plan, as published, is as follows:

"No gambling or betting, except between individuals, will be permitted on the premises. No bets, even between individuals, will be allowed on the premises except on the condition that each deposit the amount of their wager in cash with the association at the time the wager is made."

"The association will deduct from the aggregate amount 5 per cent. for the purpose of protecting the public and fixing the responsibility of individual betting. The records of the court show that the individual wagering on the old Metairie course was attended by difference, which often resulted in lawsuits, which, under this method, is obviated."

"Irresponsible persons, track officials or such persons as the association sees fit to prevent wagering will not be allowed to wager, placing the proposition upon the lines, in my estimation, desired by those who were interested in the passing of the Locke bill. That is, we are not assisting, aiding, encouraging or abetting wagering, for the reason that the association penalizes it."

"Act No. 57 of 1908 is as follows:

"Act No. 57, an act to prohibit gambling on horse races by the operation of betting books, French mutual pooling devices, auction pools, or any other device, and to provide penalties for the violation of the provisions thereof."

"Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Louisiana: That any person who, either as agent, owner, officer or employee shall, in any room, hall, house or any inclosure, or upon any track, path, road or course, whether within or without an inclosure in this state, engage in encouraging, promoting, aiding or assisting in the operation of a betting book, or a French mutual pooling device, upon any kind of horse race or races, or in selling auction pools upon any horse race which are hereby declared to be gambling, or shall, by any other device, encourage, promote, aid or assist any person or persons to bet or wager upon a horse race or races, run or trotted or paced, within this state or elsewhere, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be fined not less than \$100, nor

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TELEGRAPHIC FORM.

The horses which seem best in Friday's races are:

Oakland—Oakland, Cal., November 19.

1—Burnell, Francis Joseph, Sir Angus.

2—Force, Sempron, Carrie Thatcher.

3—May L. N., Goldena, Red Era.

4—Wap, Nebulosus, Phalanx.

5—Ed Ball, Cello, Spring Ban.

6—J. R. Laughrey, Metlakatla, Distributor.

H. Forsland.

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more than \$500, and imprisoned for a period of not less than six or more than twelve months.

"Act No. 57 of 1908 does not prohibit personal wagers. It does prohibit the engaging in, encouraging, promoting, aiding or assisting in the keeping of a betting book, of a French mutuel pooling device, or in selling auction pools, and it expressly provides that if any person, either as agent, owner, officer or employee, shall by any other device encourage, promote, aid or assist any person or persons to bet or wager upon a horse race, that such person shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, etc.

In my opinion, the plan submitted would be a device to encourage, promote, aid and assist persons to bet upon a horse race, and would violate the statute.

"In reference as to whether a person who would quote prices and lay wagers with various individuals, quoting the prices from memory and depositing the money and recording the bet with some representative of the association as a stakeholder, would be engaging in the operation of a betting book within contemplation of the act, I state, in my opinion, such a person or persons would violate the act. I

remain, Very truly yours,

"Chandler C. Luzenberg,

"Attorney-at-Law."

One of the members of the Anti-Race Track Committee made the following statement, also giving his opinion on the subject, explaining the spirit and intent of the Locke bill:

"Regarding the proposed racing season, beginning in December, as indicated by Mr. Heaslip, who represents a 'holding company' of local makeup, it

would seem from published accounts that there is to be a device arranged by which wagers are to be deposited with an agent of the management, and that a fee will be expected for the banking of the money, or the booking of the contract.

"The idea that prevailed with those who advocated a bill for the suppression of gambling at the race tracks, was succinctly stated in the bill, now a law.

"This Locke bill was opposed by a compromise measure known as the Cordill bill; both were voted upon, and the will of the people of Louisiana was expressed through their representatives in the passage of the Locke bill, which both sides agreed would do away with bookmaking, pari-mutuel or any other device that could aid or promote gambling on horse racing.

"I do not believe the people who advocated the Locke bill will accept any compromise of the principles contained in that measure. If racing can be conducted as the games of baseball, football, etc., are carried on, there can be no objection to the 'sport of kings.' "

Another of the workers for the Locke bill, said regarding the Heaslip plan:

"I have read with much interest the published statement of Mr. Heaslip that he and his associates intend to have winter racing in New Orleans, and explaining the method of betting which he intends to inaugurate, and I am clearly of the opinion that the plan that he outlines would be a plain violation of the Locke bill.

"I do not believe that the people of Louisiana would for a moment submit to any such construction of the new law, and I am confident that any attempt to carry out Mr. Heaslip's scheme would result most disastrously to all those connected with it. If the penalty were a fine only, it is possible they might make the attempt, but the Locke bill distinctly states that the violation of this statute is punishable by both fine and imprisonment, and I do not think that the racing people will care to face such a prospect."

From all of this it is plain that there is but one way in which racing can be carried on at New Orleans. That is to give a meeting that will be attended with expensive litigation in an effort to overthrow the Locke law on the ground of unconstitutionality. If some one is ready to advance the necessary money a start, at least, can be made. Just at present it is doubtful if any one can be found ready to risk the big sum required.

ANSWERS TO QUERIES.

[Communications without names and addresses of senders will not be answered or noticed; nor will any answers be sent by mail.]

L. R. D., Chicago. 1 to 3 to show.

F. H., Chicago. Cannot inform you.

R. K., Peoria, Ill. First race at 2:30.

C. T. W., Chicago. Cannot inform you.

Foster, Kansas City, Mo. It was a draw.

F. R., Detroit, Mich. See reply to F. P. D.

M. G., Detroit, Mich. See reply to F. P. D.

J. T., Cincinnati, O. Cooney K. was 1 to 3 to show.

E. M. W., Chicago. Cooney K. was 1 to 3 to show.

T. M. E., Toronto, Ont. Secured no record for that day.

E. L. D., Cincinnati, O. See reply in this issue to F. P. D.

F. R. C., Detroit, Mich. See reply to others on the same matter.

J. B., Cincinnati, O. Cooney K. was 1 to 3 to show November 16.

Al R., Chicago. Prices were all right. Strike Out is a notorious quitter.

T. D., Pittsburgh, Pa. B. J. Swanner was 6 to 5 to show November 16.

R. R., Cincinnati, O. Bosom Friend was even money to show November 13.

Tom M., Chicago. Transform closed at 3 1/2 to 1, 6 to 5 and 3 to 5 November 12.

J. W. A., Chicago. Mike Jordan was 9 to 20 place in the race inquired about.

Constant Reader, Cincinnati, O. Chief Hayes was even money to show in race 78227.

J. G., St. Louis, Mo. Chief Hayes was even money to show, Rulobla 3 to 2, and Retient, 2 to 1.

John L., St. Louis, Mo. Grenade closed at 9 to 5 straight, 7 to 10 place and out to show, November 11.

W. K. C., Memphis, Tenn. The straight bet won. The place bet was a draw, there being no coupled place price.

Al B., Cincinnati, O. Chief Hayes closed at 7 to 1, 2 to 1 and even. Rulobla at 10 to 1, 3 to 1 and 3 to 2, at Houston, November 16.

J. K. E., Chicago. Such an ordinance was passed at Los Angeles. Its effect remains to be seen. Charts are published at San Francisco.

W. C., Toronto, Ont. Post time 2:30 there. Time between races, as on all tracks, is in the discretion of the judges, but is nominally twenty-five minutes.

F. P. D., Detroit, Mich. The coupling of Rose Queen as a part of the entry was sent from the track, but was an error that was corrected the following day. Under the circumstances a wager made explicitly on the Cahill, Hildreth and Koenigsberg entry should be considered a draw.

NOTES OF THE TURF.

Colonel A. W. Hamilton, who will be the presiding judge at Santa Anita Park, left Chicago last night on his way to Los Angeles.

Fourteen horses that H. T. Griffin shipped from New York last week have arrived at Oakland, where they will race during the winter.

Not a single American horseman, so far as is known, has shipped his stable to Mexico. Entries for the Mexican Derby close on December 1.

Tommy Claire, brother of the former superintendent of the Brighton Beach track, is training the horses of Max Hirsch. Five of the ten horses in the string are yearlings.

The race meeting at Salt Lake City, Utah, came to an end last Saturday and most of the owners, horses and jockeys have departed for El Paso, Texas, to await the opening of the meeting there.

The four-year-old filly, Rosy Light, belonging to V. H. Terry, broke down so hopelessly in both front legs in her race last Friday at Oakland that her owner will not even attempt to get her back to the races.

A turfman of long experience remarked that Kirschbaum has improved more than any boy on the coast, and under the guidance of Johnny Millin there is no reason why this improvement should not continue.

Meelick, which went lame last Thursday, was given light walking exercise and appears to be improved. Hildreth thinks that the trouble is nothing more than a stone bruise and that the horse will be all right in a few days.

James Rowe believes that the colt, Wamba, will be one of the most promising of the Keene starters in next year's English Derby. Wamba, a son of Ben Brush—Cap and Bells, only started three times here this season and is still a maiden. Rowe has already predicted that if Wamba and John E. Mad-

den's Sir Martin should both start in the Derby, the Keene colt would beat the son of Ogden.

Jockey C. Koerner will accompany Dave Leary with the Santa Anita division of Hildreth's horses to Los Angeles. Hildreth is of the opinion that Koerner will have an easier task in reducing weight in southern California than at Oakland.

Report has it that Richard Croker is enthusiastic over his Irish estate, Glencairn, and tells with pride that his horses, by their winnings and the high prices they bring, make the place self-sustaining. He declares that his turf prospects for next year are excellent.

Gravesend track is a deserted place this year compared to what it was at this time last year. According to the superintendent of the track there are not more than seventy horses in the stables, while last year found over 200 there. The track is in fine condition and the horses working over it show fast time.

Joe Stern, who was suspended last winter because of his connection with the running of the horses Tommy Ahern and Mrs. O'Farrell, witnessed the Oakland races the other day and told inquiring acquaintances that his suspension had been lifted. Stern expects to take up Mitre and his other horses immediately.

John C. Ferriss, Jr. sued Frank P. Wilson, in Covington, Ky., to recover \$200 alleged to be due on a note. Race horses owned by the defendant, and known by the names of Rebel Queen, Don Irent, Tom McAfee, Pete Vinegar and Rickey, were attached at the Latonia track yesterday by constable Ben Biedenhorn.

W. W. Finn purchased the contract on jockey M. Nelson from Hogan & Rinehart for the reported price of \$2,000 at Salt Lake City, Utah. The boy heads the list of riders at Salt Lake, having ridden forty-one winners in twenty-seven days. Finn will take the boy with him to Arcadia. Nelson is a lightweight.

Dr. J. S. Gardner is very enthusiastic over the prospects of the coming Santa Anita Park meeting. He declares that the racing public will witness some grand sport and that the stakes, which received over 1,600 nominations, including names of some of the very best horses racing, will attract as much attention as the big races on the New York tracks.

Ben Levy, of Kansas City, who has been making the Texas circuit this fall and who is well known by racing people everywhere, says he sees no reason why a winter meeting would not be a great success in Texas, as it would bring a lot of people there. Mr. Levy is in business in Kansas City, but finds so many of the Missouri crowd down there that he feels very much at home.

During the running of the first race at Houston Wednesday, Yaddo, with jockey Lawrence up, ran into the fence and fell, breaking his leg, resulting in his death. Lawrence escaped unhurt in this fall, but in a later race was badly injured when Workman, on which he had the mount, came to grief. Workman may never be able to race again. An aftermath to the Yaddo case is the investigation being conducted by the officials relative to the condition of the horse, it being alleged that stimulants were administered to the horse before the race.

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78251	Cheswardine	96	1:17 1/2				114...x720
78255	L. M. Eckert	107	1:17 1/2				114...x715
78256	Snakewood						114...x705
78284	Lithmarch	109	1:17				114...
	Jim Clark						114...

Second Race—5-8 Mile.

2-year-olds. Selling.

Ind.	Horse	Wt.	Fin.	Jockey	Cl.	Pl.	Sh.
78253	Mimollette	103	1:04 1/2				105...x725
78252 ²	Antoinette	111	1:04 1/2				105...x720
78252	Arrowshaft	108	1:04 1/2				105...x720
78257	Jase Wilson						105...x705
78252	Tidals	105	1:09 1/2				105...x705
78214	Mascaron	110	1:05				100...x700
78226 ³	Misprison	115	1:06				105...x700
78226	Glenart	99	1:02 1/2				105...x695
78252	Joe Howell						105...x690
78252	Rotary						105...x685

Third Race—1 Mile.

All Ages. Allowances.

Ind.	Horse	Wt.	Fin.	Jockey	Cl.	Pl.	Sh.
78240 ²	Joe Stokes						4...110...x725
78240 ³	First Premium	118	1:39 1/2				5...117...x720
78240	*Hands Around	104	1:43				3...105...x715
78253 ²	Swing	105	1:43 1/2				2...90...x710
78253	Lena Lech						2...92...x710
78240	*Cock Sure	107	1:42 1/2				5...105...x705
78254 ²	Bewitched	100	1:43				3...100...x705
78253	*Sensible						2...92...x700
78266	*Golf Ball	111	1:40 1/2				4...110...x700

*F. T. Wood entry.

†Frazier and Farris entry.

Fourth Race—1 1/4 Miles.

3-year-olds and upward. Allowances.

Ind.	Horse	Wt.	Fin.	Jockey	Cl.	Pl.	Sh.
(78243)	Alvise						4...109...x725
78243	Mellor						5...104...x720
(78216)	John McBride	107	2:12 1/2				5...114...x715
78265 ²	Safeguard						8...109...x705
78270	Holloway						5...109...x675
78243	Dr. Nash						6...109...x660
78243	Kenova						10...109...x650

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Transactions in Which Famous English Owners Figured and Not Always Creditably.

There is no such betting now as was transacted in the fifties and sixties and in the early seventies, says the sporting writer of Truth. The last really great stake which was landed over this race—the Cesarewitch—was won by Rosebery, and two years earlier F. Swindell had backed the Truth gelding to win \$500,000 by a long course of dexterous but perfectly unscrupulous maneuvering. Mr. Swindell won a huge stake over Dulicella, which had been tried a certainty, and she came in alone.

There was an immense win over Lecturer, Lord Hastings himself clearing \$100,000, while the total winnings of "the party" were not less than \$650,000. When the weights for the Cesarewitch of 1866 were published Lord Hastings considered that his horses had been unfairly treated by Admiral Rous, and they were all struck out. Lecturer was not included in the lot, as he had been nominated for some reason or other by the well-known Peter Wilkinson. Everything in those days was utterly chaotic and higgledy-miggledy in the department of ownership and partnership, but under the present rules Lecturer would surely have been disqualified.

The most sensational race was that won by Lioness, as it led to unpleasant developments which had far-reaching results. Colonel Ouseley Higgins, who was one of the most popular members of the Jockey Club set, had been for some time on intimate terms with James Merry. He was consulted as to the running of Mr. Merry's horses and was quite behind the scenes in the stable tactics. Lioness was systematically "steadied" with a view to her winning the Cesarewitch, the coup having been for several months in contemplation, but on this occasion not only was Colonel Higgins kept in the dark, but he maintained that he had been deliberately misled and that, not only had he been put off backing the mare himself, but he had prevented many of his acquaintances from supporting her.

Mr. Merry, as was said of a celebrated turf tactician, had been "as sly as a fox and as mute as a mackerel." The fact was that he gave his commission to a shrewd man, who undertook it only on receiving a most solemn promise that not a word should be uttered in recommendation of Lioness until the numbers were up. Mr. Merry carefully held his tongue and although Lioness was obviously being backed for a great deal of money, neither Colonel Higgins nor anyone else received a particle of encouragement from the owner.

When the numbers were hoisted, Mr. Merry looked out for Colonel Higgins, but in those days it was easy for men to miss each other at Newmarket just before such a big race. One would be in the Birdcage, and the other might be at the ring, or in the crowd of horsemen, or in a carriage by the ropes. Mr. Merry met Lord Stamford, who was galloping to the ring, and begged him, if he saw Colonel Higgins, to tell him to be sure to make Lioness a winner.

However, the tip did not arrive in time, and directly after Lioness had won easily, Colonel Higgins galloped up to Mr. Merry's carriage, almost speechless with fury, and assailed him publicly with a rich flow of invective, including such epithets as are commonly associated with Ananias and Parabbas. Lord Stamford, who came up during the attack, vainly attempted to explain away matters, but Colonel Higgins was implacable, and vowed that only "satisfaction" would compensate for his grievances.

Mr. Merry did not relish the prospect of standing opposite a bloodthirsty Irishman who was known to be a sure shot, and later in the day Lord Stamford was sent to confer with Colonel Higgins with much

the same secret instructions as were given by Lord Steyne to Mr. Wenham when he deputed him to meet Colonel Rawdon Crawley. Happily, the offer was referred for final decision to Admiral Rous and Mr. George Payne, whose strong common sense and fine tact enabled them to patch up what Lord Beaconsfield has defined as "a bad tempered understanding."

The episode caused a great fuss at Newmarket, but it was kept very quiet, as people were not in those days so fond of proclaiming quarrels and scandals as they are now. It was this unfortunate affair which prevented Mr. Merry from being elected a member of the Jockey Club.

A few years afterwards his name was to be put forward, but Admiral Rous and Lord George Manners advised the proposer and seconder to withdraw the candidate, as it was absolutely certain that he would be blackballed. Admiral Rous was sensibly averse to subjecting a man of Mr. Merry's position on the turf to a public snub, as it might very likely have caused him to sell his stud and give up racing altogether. In those days the names of candidates for the Jockey Club were published in the Calendar before the ballot, so if a man was blackballed every one knew of his failure.

There was a great to-do about 1867 when the late Duke of Hamilton was blackballed for the Jockey Club, and not only did the welkin ring with the indignation of the candidate's friends, but Admiral Rous pointed out the absurdity and folly of rejecting a candidate of unexceptionable position who raced on a very large scale. At that time, however, there was a positive craze for blackballing at Newmarket, and a certain clique vowed to keep out of the club any candidate connected with "the city." Lord Glasgow nearly always put in a black ball, and for years one of the great objects of his life was to keep Colonel Forester out of the Jockey Club.

MATCH RACING IN OLD-TIME ENGLAND.

Vast Sums Won and Lost Over Such Events—Novel Combination Matches.

Matches are almost unknown in the horse racing world of today, but they were common enough in the good old days before the sorry mating of racing with business. A match was a truly sporting event; stakes were heavy, vast sums were bet and the excitement of the race would stir the whole nation.

So much property was lost by the "gentlemen of the south" to the "gentlemen of the north" over a match run at Newmarket at the dawn of the eighteenth century, says the London Evening Standard, that the statute of Queen Anne was enacted to restrict betting. Yet in 1759 a Captain Shafto won \$80,000 by winning a bet that he would not complete fifty miles in two hours with as many horses as he pleased. And in 1806 the sporting and gallant Colonel Mellish lost bets to the tune of \$100,000 in a match for \$10,000—his horse breaking down when victory seemed assured. When in 1799 Sir H. Vane-Tempest's Hambletonian was matched against Diamond for \$15,000 at Newmarket, the place was so crowded with visitors that not a bed was to be had within twenty miles.

One hundred thousand people assembled to see a lady ride in a match at York in 1804 against a sportsman of celebrity and \$1,000,000 was said at the least to depend on the result. The lady's horse—nearly twenty years old—was beaten. The last of these memorable sporting events to arouse an interest through the whole country took place in 1851 when Lord Eglington's Flying Dutchman beat Lord Zetland's Voltigeur at York.

A great deal of money has changed hands over matches in which riders have undertaken to cover twenty miles in the hour, a feat often performed successfully. A great performance was that of a featherweight jockey who, at Newmarket in 1786,

rode a horse twenty-three miles in two or three minutes under the hour. The Earl of March—"Old Q."—was on the winning side of a sporting match for \$5,000 in 1750, when "a carriage with four running wheels and a person in it" was to be drawn by four horses nineteen miles in an hour. The match was won in fifty-three minutes and twenty-seven seconds, and a grand sight it must have been to see the four horses and their riders setting up such a record.

A great ride was that of a Mr. Lysecombe, who, in 1824, carried ninety miles in four hours and fifty-three minutes on eight horses. That famous all round sportsman, Squire Osbaldeston, performed a marvelous feat in 1831 when, having undertaken to ride 200 miles in ten hours for \$5,000 a side, to say nothing of bets, he finished in eight hours and thirty-nine minutes "as gay as a lark." He was forty-four years of age and weighed over eleven stone, yet one of his twenty-eight horses carried him four miles in eight minutes. For several riders the claim has been made that they have ridden 1,000 miles in 1,000 successive hours; and in 1891 J. Davies drove one horse in a dogcart 1,000 miles in nineteen days, an average of fifty-two miles a day.

Some very old matches find a place in the annals of the turf and the road. Has not Newmarket Heath seen "geese races" in the days of Lords Rockingham and Orford? At York, in the middle of the eighteenth century, a trick rider rode one mile standing upright on horseback for \$500; he was allowed three minutes and rode home with eighteen seconds in hand. At the end of the century an officer trotted fifteen miles from Chelmsford to Dunmow in 1 hour 9 minutes, his face to his horse's tail. In 1800 a naval officer rode a blind horse around Sheerness race course for a wager, the conditions being that he should not touch the reins with his hands. This, however, did not prevent him from having the reins fastened to his feet.

To walk fifty miles, drive fifty miles and ride fifty miles in twenty-four consecutive hours was a task that Captain Polhill easily accomplished in 1826 with nearly five hours to spare. In our own time, 1891, J. B. Radcliffe succeeded in rowing a quarter of a mile and in swimming, running, cycling and riding a horse the same distance all within the space of fifteen minutes. Merely to think of such a feat is enough to make one tired.

PREFERS ENGLAND TO FRANCE.

Tom Welsh is one returning traveler from the other side that is not so sanguine over the chances for American horsemen in France. "I had an idea I might like to try my hand there," said Welsh, "but I'm cured. Not that I don't like the country and the racing, but there's nothing in it for the American trainer. It's all training public stables there, and it costs a lot of money to get a good place that is conveniently located. Expenses all through are perhaps not much higher than here, but I think I should much prefer England to train in."

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